

The Parish of All Saints' Ockbrook with St Stephen's Borrowash

Making Christian disciples who love God, love one another, and live out God's love in the world.

April 2023

Church Services:

St Stephen's, Borrowash - 9.15 am (Sunday 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th)
All Saints', Ockbrook - 11.00 am (Sunday 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd)
St Stephen's, Borrowash - 10.00 am Wednesday (5th, 12th, 19th & 26th)

Items for your prayers...

Please pray for: Peter & Margaret Parkin, Joyce Bishop, Robert Russell, Jenni Bevis, Margaret Wilson, Keith & Betty Tyler, Philip Churchman, Rhoda Salisbury (now home), Sheila Bye, Christine Hunt, Carol Emerson, and Elaine Bonser. Please also pray for pastor Gopal, and all his churches in Nepal, and the orphanage he runs in Kathmandu.

Please pray for the Children's and Youth Work:
Nat, the leaders, helpers, and youngsters:

Starting on Wed 19th April we are running our second Shining Stars session (1pm-2.30pm) and a Youth Cafe (3.30pm-5pm) both at All Saints'. We could do with some volunteers at both, but especially at the toddler group, helping in the kitchen: making toast and loading the dishwasher. Any help, even if just an hour, would be a huge help. Please chat with Nat, if you would be interested.

2nd April - Children's team meeting, immediately after 4ALL service & Youth Team meeting -6.30pm (venue tbc)
No Rise & Shine or Youth Group on April 9th & 16th Easter Holidays
17th April - Shining Stars Toddler group 10-11.30am All Saints'
19th April - Shining Stars Toddler group 1pm-2.30pm-All Saints' +Youth Cafe 3.30pm-5pm - All Saints'
23rd April - Rise and Shine (Children's Church) Drop off at village hall from 10.45am + Youth Group 6.30pm-8pm All Saints'
24th April- Shining Stars Toddler group 10-11.30am All Saints'
26th April- Shining Stars Toddler group 1pm-2.30pm-All Saints' + Youth Cafe 3.30pm-5pm - All Saints'
30th April- Rise and Shine (Children's Church) Drop off at village hall from 10.45am + Youth Group 6.30pm-8pm All Saints'

Holy Week & Easter Special Services

Palm Sunday - 9.15am M/W St Stephen's; 8am & 11am 4ALL All Saints'

Mon 3rd April - 7pm Reflective Service **All Saints'** (Dawn Holt)

Tue 4th April - 7pm Taizé Service in **St Stephen's** (Sarah Johnson)

Wed 5th - 7pm Reflective Service in **All Saints'** (Hugo&Lessandra)

Thur 6th April - 7pm Eucharist in **St Stephen's** (Becky Reeve)

Good Fri. 7th April - 12 noon, act of witness by the Coop (Tim Sumpter).
2pm Hour at the cross in **All Saints'** (J. Fewkes)

Quiet Sat 8th April - 6pm Prayer meeting in **All Saints'** (Tim Sumpter)

Easter Sun 9th April - 9.15am H/C St Stephen's; 11am H/C All Saints',

Special birthday: On April 4th Moyra Disney, will celebrate 100 years! She will be attending All Saints' on Easter Sunday (9th April) with her family to celebrate, and they are hoping her friends will also join them in wishing her an amazing birthday and stay after the service for refreshments.

Alpha.org

We have run Alpha Courses in the parish since 1995. They are a wonderful informal way of (re)discovering the foundational basics of the Christian Faith. Each evening begins in All Saints' Ockbrook at 7pm with a meal. There follows a short talk on a specific topic I.E., 'prayer', which is followed by a discussion. Each evening ends no later than 9pm.

The dates are currently as follows: May 9th, 16th & 23rd; June 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th; July 4th & 11th.

For more information, please speak with either Tim (820084) or Tony (733748).

If you would be able to help coordinate the meals (we are hoping these will be jacket potatoes with salad and filling + a pudding each week), please let Tim know asap.

Please pray for this latest course, that those invited will come along and together we'll discover more about the foundations of the Christian faith.

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Diary Dates – April 2023

See over for special Holy Week & Easter Services

Sun 2nd - St Stephen's 9.15am M/W; All Saints' 8am H/C & 4ALL 11am
Mon 3rd - Full monthly staff meeting 9.00am in the Vicarage.
Wed 5th - St Stephen's 10am H/C
Thur 6th - All Saints' 2.30pm Interment of Hilary Seeley's ashes (Tim)
Sun 9th - St Stephen's 9.15am H/C; All Saints' 11am H/C
Wed 12th - St Stephen's 10am H/C
Sun 16th - St Stephen's 9.15am H/C; All Saints' 11am M/W
Mon 17th - Staff meeting 9.00am in Vicarage.
Wed 19th - St Stephen's 10am M/P
Thur 20th - St Stephen's 7.30pm Local Election Hustings
Sat 22nd - Malt Shovel Shardlow 10am Men's Breakfast (John Hills 07866290264)
All Saints' 2.00pm Local Election Hustings
Sun 23rd - St Stephen's 9.15am H/C; All Saints' 11am H/C.
Mon 24th - Staff meeting 9.00am in Vicarage.
Wed 26th - St Stephen's 10am H/C
Sun 30th - St Stephen's 10am Joint service of H/C
(Please note there will be a Music Group practice each Thur. in All Saints', 7.30pm).

Spring-Summer 2023

Derbyshire School Holidays (please check school websites for local variations):

Easter - Sat April 1st to Sun 16th

May ½ Term - Sat May 27th to Sun June 4th

Summer - Sat 22nd July to Mon Sept 4th

Wedding of Hayley Sherlock & Samuel Williams, St Stephen's April 29th at 1pm.

2023 AGM will be in All Saints' Ockbrook on Sun. 21st May at 11.15am following a joint 10am service of M/W. The nomination forms are now up in both churches for the offices of church warden, PCC, and Deanery Synod. New PCC members may require a DBS check and may need to complete some Safeguarding Training. For more info. about this, please speak to Tim. If you are writing a report for the AGM booklet, please send it via email to Pam ASAP. The notice regarding the revision of the Church Electoral Roll will be displayed in our churches from Sun 23rd April 2023 to Sun 7th May. The revised Roll will be back in church before the AGM.

Bank Holidays: 1st, 8th (Coronation Weekend) & 29th May; 28th August.

Our Sun sermon theme (May to August inclusive) will be ***Strength from the Psalms***, looking at some of the Psalms in the Old Testament and their significance for today.

Special afternoon/evening services:

Pentecost Prayer & Praise – Wed May 24th 7.30pm, All Saints' Ockbrook

Choral Evensong – Sun June 11th 6pm, St Stephen's Borrowash

Silver Service – Sun July 9th 4pm, St Stephen's Borrowash

Welcome:

We will be welcoming B&A during the Joint service in All Saints' beginning at 10am on 20th August, to hear about their work in North Africa. After the service, there will be an extended time for refreshments. Anyone is welcome to stay and get to know B&A and family, ask questions, and hear more about the ministry (names and location of ministry withheld on request).

Growth Group Leaders Training - Sat 20th May, 9.30am to 1pm, in All Saints'.

Dessert Island Disks – Sat 10th June, All Saints' Ockbrook time tbc. Come and hear the life stories of Hugo and Lessandra, with music and dessert, facilitated by Tim.

All Saints' cleaners needed: Please would you consider helping with the cleaning of All Saints' on a rota basis. We are really short of volunteers so if you could spare a couple of hours every month, that would be wonderful. Ideally we like to have teams of three or even four to ease the workload so therefore you wouldn't be expected to work alone. Please let Tim, Mike or Chris Connor know if you can help.

Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO):

Angela can be contacted on angelajdisney@outlook.com or 07985505870 for any safeguarding concerns. Please note if you feel there is immediate risk or danger please contact the Police on 999. Please note the following Helplines – NSPCC: 0808800500; Childline: 08001111; National Domestic Violence 08082000247; Action on Elder Abuse 0800 0699 784 & Safe Spaces 03003031056

DBS checks/safeguarding training:

As more group activities open, could anyone intending to resume volunteering to support the children and young people's groups, please check their DBS certificates are current, (valid for 3 years from issue), and they have completed the necessary safeguarding training, (training valid for 3 years.) If you are unsure or if you have any DBS/Training/Safeguarding queries, please do not hesitate to contact the group leader or Angela Disney.

Easter Holidays

Please note Tim will be away from work from Monday 10th April to Monday 17th April. For all parish matters in that time please contact either the curate, Becky Reeve on 732826, or the church wardens: Anne Anderson, on 764985, or Mike Allwood on 906444.

The May News Sheet: Any items for inclusion should be with Pam by no later than Tues. 25th April.